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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

ZUKER *et al.*

Application No.: 09/510,332

Filed: February 22, 2000

For: T2R, A NOVEL FAMILY OF TASTE RECEPTORS

Examiner: Robert Landsman

Art Unit: 1647

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Art Unit 1647
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Continued Prosecution Application and Preliminary Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated April 11, 2001. A petition to extend the period of response for three months, from July 11, 2001 to October 11, 2001, is enclosed. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-93 without prejudice to subsequent revival.

Please add new claims 94-100 as follows.

94. An isolated nucleic acid encoding a taste transduction G-protein coupled receptor, wherein the nucleic acid specifically hybridizes under highly stringent conditions to a nucleic acid comprising a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:4, SEQ ID NO:6, SEQ ID NO:8, SEQ ID NO:10, SEQ ID NO:12, SEQ ID NO:14, SEQ ID NO:16, SEQ ID NO:18, SEQ ID NO:20, SEQ ID NO:23, SEQ ID NO:25, SEQ ID

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